

US Department of State's Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration  
(PRM) Announces the FY 2013  
**Julia Taft Fund for Refugees**

The US Embassy in Nairobi under the auspices of the Office of the Regional Refugee Coordinator is pleased to announce the availability of a funding opportunity through the 2013 Julia Taft Fund for Refugees.

**What is the Julia Taft Fund for Refugees?**

The Julia Taft Fund for Refugees is an initiative by the U.S. State Department's Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration (PRM) to respond to critical unmet needs of refugees. Created in 2000, the Julia Taft Fund for Refugees supports projects that fill gaps in refugee service not already being addressed by other organizations. Successful programs are those that can be met locally and are not being addressed by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), other international organizations, or non-governmental organizations (NGOs) that are already receiving USG funding.

**What types of projects in Kenya have been funded through the Julia Taft Fund for Refugees in the past?**

Past grant recipients have implemented projects providing medical care for urban refugees, assisting unaccompanied and orphaned refugee minors in Nairobi to access informal education and child protection services, providing counseling and access to legal services to refugee survivors of Sexual and Gender-Based Violence, providing legal representation associated with unwarranted arrest or detention, and providing technical training to urban refugee self-help groups to improve their economic self sufficiency and promote self reliance.

**Program Focus of the 2013 Julia Taft Fund for Refugees**

This year the Taft fund is not limited to a specific targeted objective. It is left open for service providers to propose a project that could most serve refugees living in the Dadaab and Kakuma refugee camps, and/or urban refugees living in Nairobi

**Who is Eligible to apply?**

The Julia Taft Fund for Refugees is limited to registered non-governmental organizations (NGOs) with at least 1-2 years of experience working in Kenya. **Note that the Julia Taft Fund for Refugees is meant to cover a one-time need and will not support a program for more than one year.**

## **How can an organization apply for funding?**

NGOs are invited to submit a brief description of their proposed projects by **April 30, 2013** via email or through the post. Please contact Kristin Alderman, Deputy Regional Refugee Coordinator at [AldermanKL@state.gov](mailto:AldermanKL@state.gov) with any questions regarding proposals.

### ***Please note the following guidelines when preparing proposals:***

- Project budgets cannot exceed \$25,000 USD,
- Project descriptions should be no longer than three-pages in length and should include the following:
  - Name of organization
  - Point of contact information
  - Project title
  - Project location
  - The refugee population to be served
  - Number of direct project beneficiaries
  - Statement of need (max. 200 words)
  - Project description (how the project will be carried out—max 300 words)
  - Project Budget (major expenditures only) including the amount that your organization will be contributing toward the project.

**NGOs that have been approved for funding will be required to submit a copy of their code of conduct, which must be consistent with the UN's Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) recommendations on the prevention of sexual abuse and exploitation.**

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